

SOME RENTER PROTECTIONS END AFTER JUNE 30, 2022

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Since July 1, 2021, renters were able to pause evictions for nonpayment by giving their landlords written proof that they have applied for rent assistance. If the proof was given **before** the landlord filed a termination case, the landlord was not allowed to file an eviction case until the application no longer pending, or until October 1, 2022. If the proof was given **after** the landlord filed the eviction case, the court would pause the case until October 1, 2022, or the application was approved or denied. **After June 30, 2022, providing proof of an application for rent assistance will not pause eviction proceedings.**

What if I provided documentation to my landlord that I applied for rental assistance on or before June 30, 2022?

You are still protected until October 1, 2022, or until your application is no longer pending. Plan to go to any court date that is set in your case. If you do not appear at a court hearing in your case, a judgment of eviction could be entered against you.

If the rent assistance provider pays the amount your landlord asked for in the nonpayment termination notice before October 1, 2022, any eviction case based on that notice must be dismissed. If the rent assistance provider rejects the application, or pays less than the amount on the notice, the case is allowed go forward and you are at risk of eviction. A landlord can also give you a new notice if you are still behind on rent after the rent assistance application has been paid or rejected.

If I did not provide documentation to my landlord that I applied for rental assistance by June 30, 2022, what protections still apply to me?

Many Community Action Agencies are still providing rent assistance to tenants. Go to 211info.org to find a local rent assistance provider, and apply right away. Although you cannot force your landlord to slow an eviction if you do not give your landlord proof of your application by June 30, 2022, if you apply for rent assistance you may be able to convince your landlord to agree to pause the eviction process for your application to go through. **Additionally, until October 1, 2022, if you, an assistance provider, or anyone else pays the money the landlord asked for in the notice before judgment is entered in your case, your landlord must dismiss the case.** This means that if your rent assistance application is processed before the court enters a judgment of eviction against you and your landlord receives the payment of the amount alleged in the notice, you can stay in your home.

What other changes take effect on June 30, 2022?

After June 30, 2022, landlords are no longer required to provide information about your right to pause your eviction by applying for rent assistance as part of your termination notice.

How do I find legal help?

If you would like to talk to a lawyer about your rights, you can find contact information for a legal aid office near you at <https://oregonlawhelp.org/find-legal-help>. If you have a pending eviction court case, you can call the Eviction Defense Project at 888-585-9638. You can also contact the Oregon State Bar Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763.